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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 10/761,661	<b>Applicant(s)</b> PAGAN, WILLIAM GABRIEL	
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**Status**

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 20 December 2007.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

**Disposition of Claims**

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 19-31 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 19-31 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

**Application Papers**

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some \*    c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

**Attachment(s)**

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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114***

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 01/09/2007 has been entered.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. Claims 19,20,23-26, and 29-31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kazuo (Japanese Publication #11-013564) in view of Kobayashi (US Patent #6,917,824).

**Regarding claim 19**, Kazuo teaches a method of optimizing wireless reception at a computer, the method comprising:

coupling a cell phone to a PC card socket of a computer (See figure 1), wherein

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the cell phone comprises:

a first component (*Figure 1, element 11*),

a fixed external antennae extending away from the first component (*Figure 1, an external antennae 11d extending away from the first component 11*),

a second component permanently hinged to the first component by a hinge (*Figure 1, a second component 12 permanently hinged to the first component 11*), wherein the hinge allows the first component to be selectively rotated about hinge (See *Figure 1, wherein the hinge allows the first component 11 to be selectively rotated about hinge*),

a keypad in the first component, the keypad allowing entry of a telephone number to be called to connect to a computer network (*Paragraphs 0010 and 0016*), and

a connector in the second component, the connector in the second component being adapted to be directly physically inserted into the PC card socket in the computer (*Figure 1, a connector 12 in the second component, the connector in the second component being adapted to be directly physically inserted into an existing interface port 13a in a computer 13; Paragraphs 0010-0017*), except for determining if reception quality by the cell phone is inadequate; and repositioning the first component by rotating the first component about the hinge until the fixed external antennae achieves optimal wireless reception.

However, in related art, Kobayashi teaches determining if reception quality by the cell phone is inadequate; and repositioning the first component by rotating the first

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component about the hinge until the fixed external antennae achieves optimal wireless reception (*See figure 2C; Col 7, line 52-col 8, line 22: Kobayashi teaches the first hinge unit 14 is capable of rotating the second housing 12 from the first angle position indicating the angle formed by the second housing 12 of 0 degree (the closed condition) to a predetermined second angle position indicating the angle formed by the second housing 12 of alpha (the opened condition). Further, the first hinge unit 14 is capable of keeping one of the first angle position, the second angle position, and a third angle position indicating the angle formed by the second housing 12 of beta).*

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide the above teaching of Kobayashi to Kazuo, in order to flexibly move the first and second component of the housing to receive a better signal.

**Regarding claims 20 and 26**, the combination of Kazuo and Kobayashi teach all the claimed element in claims 19 and 25. In addition, Kazuo teaches the wireless phone, wherein the second component is configured as a PC Card (paragraph 0010).

**Regarding claims 23 and 29**, the combination of Kazuo and Kobayashi teach all the claimed elements in claims 20 and 26. In addition, Kazuo teaches the method, wherein a signal from the PC card socket to the connector in the second component of the wireless phone is a modulated signal (*Figure 1, Kazuo teaches the wireless phone 10, wherein a signal from the existing interface port 13a of the computer 13 and the connector 12 in the second component of the wireless phone 10 is a modulated signal.*

**Regarding claims 24 and 30**, the combination of Kazuo and Kobayashi teach all the claimed elements in claims 20 and 26. In addition, Kazuo teaches the method,

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wherein a signal from the PC card socket to the connector in the second component of the wireless phone is a data packet (Paragraph 0018).

**Regarding claim 25**, Kazuo teaches a system for optimizing wireless reception at a computer, the system comprising:

means for coupling a cell phone to a PC card socket of a computer (See figure

1), wherein the cell phone comprises:

a first component (*Figure 1, element 11*),

a fixed external antennae extending away from the first component (Figure 1, an external antennae 11d extending away from the first component 11),

a second component permanently hinged to the first component by a hinge (*Figure 1, a second component 12 permanently hinged to the first component 11*),

wherein the hinge allows the first component to be selectively rotated about the hinge (See Figure 1, wherein the hinge allows the first component 11 to be selectively rotated about hinge),

a keypad in the first component, the keypad allowing entry of a telephone number to be called to connect to a computer network (*Paragraphs 0010 and 0016*),

and

a connector in the second component, the connector in the second component being adapted to be directly physically inserted into the PC card socket in the computer (*Figure 1, a connector 12 in the second component, the connector in the second component being adapted to be directly physically inserted into an existing interface port 13a in a computer 13; Paragraphs 0010-0017*), except for means for determining if

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reception quality by the cell phone is inadequate; and means for repositioning the first component by rotating the first component about the hinge until the fixed external antennae achieves optimal wireless reception.

However, in related art, Kobayashi teaches means for determining if reception quality by the cell phone is inadequate; and means for repositioning the first component by rotating the first component about the hinge until the fixed external antennae achieves optimal wireless reception (*See figure 2C; Col 7, line 52-col 8, line 22: Kobayashi teaches the first hinge unit 14 is capable of rotating the second housing 12 from the first angle position indicating the angle formed by the second housing 12 of 0 degree (the closed condition) to a predetermined second angle position indicating the angle formed by the second housing 12 of alpha (the opened condition). Further, the first hinge unit 14 is capable of keeping one of the first angle position, the second angle position, and a third angle position indicating the angle formed by the second housing 12 of beta).*

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide the above teaching of Kobayashi to Kazuo, in order to flexibly move the first and second component of the housing to receive a better signal.

**Regarding claim 31**, Kazuo teaches a method of optimizing wireless reception at a computer, the method comprising:

coupling a cell phone to a PC card socket of a computer (*See figure 1*), wherein the cell phone comprises:

a first component (*Figure 1, element 11*),

a fixed external antennae extending away from the first component (Figure 1, an external antennae 11d extending away from the first component 11),

a second component permanently hinged to the first component by a hinge (Figure 1, a second component 12 permanently hinged to the first component 11), wherein the hinge allows the first component to be selectively rotated about the hinge (See Figure 1, wherein the hinge allows the first component 11 to be selectively rotated about hinge),

a keypad in the first component, the keypad allowing entry of a telephone number to be called to connect to a computer network (Paragraphs 0010 and 0016), and

a connector in the second component, the connector in the second component being adapted to be directly physically inserted into the PC card socket in the computer (Figure 1, a connector 12 in the second component, the connector in the second component being adapted to be directly physically inserted into an existing interface port 13a in a computer 13; Paragraphs 0010-0017), except for repositioning the first component by rotating the first component about the hinge until the fixed external antennae achieves optimal wireless reception.

However, in related art, Kobayashi teaches repositioning the first component by rotating the first component about the hinge until the fixed external antennae achieves optimal wireless reception (See figure 2C; Col 7, line 52-col 8, line 22: Kobayashi teaches the first hinge unit 14 is capable of rotating the second housing 12 from the first angle position indicating the angle formed by the second housing 12 of 0 degree (the



*closed condition) to a predetermined second angle position indicating the angle formed by the second housing 12 of alpha (the opened condition). Further, the first hinge unit 14 is capable of keeping one of the first angle position, the second angle position, and a third angle position indicating the angle formed by the second housing 12 of beta).*

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide the above teaching of Kobayashi to Kazuo, in order to flexibly move the first and second component of the housing to receive a better signal.

3. Claims 21, 22, 27, and 28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kazuo (Japanese Publication #11-013564) in view of Kobayashi (US Patent #6,917,824) and further in view of Ohnishi et al. (US Patent #6,525,932).

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**Regarding claims 21, 22, 27, and 28,** the combination of Kazuo and Kobayashi fail to teach the method, wherein the PC Card are a Type I card and a type III card.

However, in related are, Ohnishi teaches the wireless phone, wherein the PC Cards are a Type I and III card (Col 1, lines 46-58; Col 2, lines 28-35).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide the above teaching of Ohnishi to Kazuo and Kobayashi in order to communicate other devices or excess to the network.

**Conclusion**

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4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Mou (US 6,359,591), Sward et al. (US 6,933,896), Kasuya et al. (US Pub. No. 2002/0163472).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DOMINIC E. REGO whose telephone number is (571)272-8132. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 8:30 am-5 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Matthew D. Anderson can be reached on 571-272-4177. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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